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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, JA,TQ

SUBJECT: MICRONESIAN WAR CLAIMS

REF: A) TOKYO 3866 C) STATE 040229
B) TOKYO 2534

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3. INTERIOR DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTING SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FROM CONGRESS FOR FULL PAYMENT OF TITLE II CLAIMS. INTERIOR DEPARTMENT UNDER SECRETARY JAMES A. JOSEPH HAS ALSO WRITTEN COUNSELLOR NIMITZ STRONGLY URGING THE DEPARTMENT TO OPEN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOJ FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONVINCING THE JAPANESE TO ASSUME AN EQUITABLE SHARE OF THE REMAINING CLAIMS UNDER TITLE I (I.E. 12 MILLION DOLS).

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